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Media Advisory

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The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' J. Strom Thurmond Dam and Lake Project and the Georgia Department of Industry, Trade and Tourism will host a joint Press Conference at 10:00 a.m., Wednesday, Jan. 21, 2004, to announce plans for the 50th Anniversary Celebration of construction of the J. Strom Thurmond Dam and Lake at Clarks Hill. The press conference will be held at the Thurmond Lake Visitor Center, located on Highway 221 South at Clarks Hill.

Following the press conference, at 11:00 a.m., tours of the Thurmond Dam Power Plant will be offered for the first time since January 1998. Three boats, located at Clarks Hill Park, will be available for boat tours of the lake for interested media representatives.

The power plant and boat tours are expected to end at noon.

The points of contact for more information concerning the press conference are:

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Or, visit our web site at <http://www.sas.usace.army.mil/50/home.htm>

What: Press Conference for 50th Anniversary Celebration

Time/Date: 10:00 a.m., Wed., Jan. 21, 2004

Where: J. Strom Thurmond Lake Visitor's Center located on the Georgia/South Carolina state border, north of Augusta, GA. From I-20, take Exit 199 at Washington Rd. Dr. north on Washington Rd. Turn right onto Hwy. 28 and drive approx. 20 mi. to Clarks Hill, SC. Turn left onto Hwy. 221 South and follow signs to the J. Strom Thurmond Lake Visitor Center.

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